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In re the application of: THIEL et al.

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For:

PESTIVIRUS MUTANTS AND VACCINES CONTAINING THE

SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

November 22, 2002

Sir:

In response to the outstanding office Action mailed May 22, 2002, the period for Response having been extended three months to November 22, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Specification

Please add the following subject heading before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 1:

--Field of the Invention--